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Dear Students:

With Holy Week, the week of the Suffering Messiah, upon us we should pray fervently that the Church, that all members of the Mystical Body of Christ may come through these dark hours to a triumphant resurrection with the Risen Christ of Easter morn. Let us not forget students and alumni of St. Joseph's who walk the way of the cross of this war.

A most happy Easter to you all!

Sincerely,

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THE JOY OF EASTER

This Easter Day will find thousands of our Catholic young men and women celebrating the Resurrection far from home and loved ones. From the extremes of the earth, hymns of praise and sacrifice will be offered to God. Wherever our fighting forces are, high tribute will be paid to the memory of that first Easter Day. The happiness born of this day need not to be clouded by the thought of separation from dear ones, for in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass there is found the closest bond of love and fellowship uniting all of us with Christ, the eternal High Priest.

The thought of the Risen Saviour Who triumphed over His enemies and all the forces of evil should inspire us with renewed hope and courage. With His grace and all-powerful assistance we, likewise, remaining loyal to His precepts and counsels, shall triumph over the forces of evil and destruction threatening the very ramparts of civilization. Calvary now is ours, but there shall dawn another Easter Day.

JESUS IS RISEN---HE IS NOT HERE

Bring, oh, bring, all you Christians, bring praise and
sacrifices to your King.

That spotless Lamb, Who more than paid for His
sheep, and those sheep you;

That guiltless Son Who wrought your peace,
And made His Father's anger cease.

Life and death together fought, each to a strange
duel were brought.

Life died, but soon revived again, and even death by
Life was slain.

Say, happy Magdalen! oh, say, what didst thou see
there by the way!

I saw the tomb of my dear Lord; I saw Himself and
Him adored.

I saw the Holy Winding Sheet, that bound His head
and wrapt His feet.

I heard the Angels witness bear, Jesus is risen; He
is not here:

Go tell His followers, they shall see Thine and their
Hope in Galilee.

We, Lord! with faithfull heart and cheerful voice,
On this Thy Resurrection day rejoice.

O Thou, Whose conquering Life overcame the grave,
By Thy victorious grace, us sinners save.

(Sequence of the Easter Mass—Father
Stedman's Sunday Missal)

THE SIGNIFICANCE OF HOLY WEEK

With the solemn chant of the Passion on this Palm Sunday, the Church enters upon another Holy Week. Through the pageantry of the sacred liturgy, the Church relives again the scenes of the first and memorable Holy Week. She commemorates the passion and death of her Beloved Spouse. Her language is not in the past tense, but in the present, as if every Holy Week with its sorrowful memories were being observed for the first time. Clothed in the purple robes of penance and mourning, the Church again follows the bloody path of Christ as He passes from the shadowy depths of the Garden of Olives to the dull, somber, stony heights of Calvary, the place of skulls, the scene of execution.



SUFFERING WITH JESUS

Learn resignation from Christ in His agony in the Garden: "Lord, not my will, but Thine be done." Suffering will always remain suffering; but the thought of uniting our own cross to that of our Saviour transforms pain so greatly that Calvary has been made more a Thabor than a Calvary. "God brings good out of evil," is the constant refrain of Christian saints and thinkers. And so to St. Augustine evil was a proof that "God writes straight with crooked lines—even sins." And to Francis Thompson suffering was but "the shade of His hand outstretched carressingly."



IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENTS

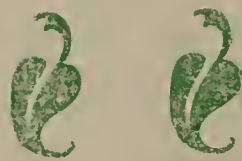
Sunday, April 18, Palm Sunday—Palms are blessed and distributed. During the Solemn Mass the Passion is chanted. It is suggested that you use Father Stedman's Sunday Missal at this Mass.

Thursday, April 22, Holy Thursday—Feast of the Institution of the Blessed Sacrament. Every student should endeavor to receive Holy Communion on this day.

Friday, April 23, Good Friday—Anniversary of Christ's death on the Cross. Make every effort to attend the services in your parish Church.

Saturday, April 24, Holy Saturday—The Blessing of the Easter and Baptismal water takes place on this day. In most dioceses *no meat may be eaten until noon.*

Sunday, April 25, Easter Sunday—The Feast of the Resurrection. Your pastor will expect to see you at the Communion railing. Your attendance at services on Easter as on the days of Holy Week will be proof of your Catholic training.



PRAYER FOR EASTER

(From the Roman Missal)

O God, Who, on this day, through Thine only-begotten Son, hast overcome death and opened unto us the Gate of Eternity; even as by Thy grace Thou dost inspire our desires, so also follow them up with Thy continual help. Through the same Lord Jesus Christ, Thy Son, Who liveth and reigneth with Thee in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, world without end. Amen.